SUMMER SCHOOL 2019
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Conversational Challenges:
cross-linguistic and cross-cultural perspectives

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International Students: 250€
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COURSES
All courses are taught in English and worth 6 ECTS

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When we talk, we convey so much even without words, with the 'tone of voice', the rhythms and melodies of speech, yet we don't really know how this happens. Why not?

Why should highly proficient bilinguals resort to language mixing even though they can easily express themselves in both languages? What reasons are there besides lexical or structural gaps? In this course, we will discuss forms and functions of bilingual speech as well as the theories proposed to account for them.

This course will focus on mal-translation as a challenge that often leads to misunderstandings in intercultural communication. Based on investigations of how language and culture affect each other, we will explore translation issues in bilingual dictionaries and draw on personal examples to understand false friends.

This course looks at encounters between different cultures, positive and negative, as represented in graphic novels. How does the visual narrative form communicate the challenge of communicating? In particular, graphic novels from Germany and Canada will be examined. (All texts in English.)

This course explores how public conversations happen in the age of global social media. Looking at examples from across the world, we consider the ways in which 'talking in public' affects social problems, resolves or worsens conflicts, influences global events, and constructs identities.

- Learn from leading international experts together with students from around the world
- Get a head start on graduation by earning credits during your semester break
- Study at a top-ranked university located in a beautiful baroque palace
- Develop intercultural competence and improve your language skills
- Obtain a certificate of attendance and foster your career opportunities
- Participate in fun activities outside the classroom: excursions, BBQ, sports, etc.
- Spend an unforgettable summer in the heart of Europe at a very reasonable cost!